

trol of the city government through Sweltzer's election? Thompson's record stamps him as a reactionary, Lorimer type of Republican, whose principal argument so far is that his election would bring prosperity and give jobs to the unemployed. I wonder if he thinks we are fools enough to fall for that ancient stuff. It is every bit as bad as this religious bunk that is being dragged in by both sides. Candidates who will resort to such tactics deserve the rebuke of independent voters.

So let's get together, brothers and sisters, and serve them up a regular "Old Party Voters' Stedman League." If you favor the idea let us all know about it through the good old Day Book and a ways and means will be found shortly to make this idea an effective reality.—J. A. Meade, 902 N. Parkside av.

DISCUSSION HARMFUL. — The Day Book should stop discussion. Vital problems should be avoided. The feudal nobles never discussed the validity of their rights—they just took the money and executed the discontented. In this way they maintained their position for a long time.

Religious discussion is especially disturbing. If economic discussion should diminish my income I might not be able to travel, as I am doing now, to get a view of the benefits now flowing into my class. I am able to report to other aristocrats that the workers are, in the main, satisfied with the existing condition of things and will continue to hand us our large profits. My equals will see the folly of disturbing the producers by raising foolish debates on the high cost of living, etc.

I trust that others will travel in the interest of culture and to help the railroad business.—Aristocrat.

VOTE FOR THE RUBBER STAMP.

—A statistician has recently made an extended survey into the high salaries paid to public servants in the em-

ploy of cities, states and the national government from the eastern to the western ocean, the following summary being deduced from the facts obtained:

First—Practically all of those elected or appointed who receive \$10,000 and over and most of those getting \$5,000, can be substituted by the purchase of a rubber stamp, an economy to the taxpayers of the difference between the cost of the stamp and the salaries now paid.

Second—Most of the talent for organization and the ability for supervision lie with the first and second assistants receiving \$2,000 to \$3,000 a year in direct opposition to the overplayed slogan that "big salaries must be paid to secure efficiency."

Third—Practically all the real devotion, steadfastness and tireless industry connected with all public offices in every state and city is found among those receiving from \$500 to \$1,200 per year, and it is these latter whose pay is always cut down during "waves of economy," all of which is plainly on the ground that we Americans hark back to monarchy and feudalism and insist upon continuing the support of our little local Lords and Ladies as ornaments to society.

It is these same "Lords and Ladies" who control the theory of instruction in our public schools and under the title of "education" continue to impart certain kinds of knowledge each in its own little brain pocket entirely separated from the rest, in order that no one may be trained to think rationally and thus puncture the forms of graft and privilege that have come down to us from time immemorial.

The fact that the humble workers at \$500 to \$1,200 per year are humanly and spiritually just as good as those who receive \$10,000 and upward, and their children just as much entitled to culture and preparation for future citizenship as the Local Lords and Ladies themselves, en-